

"Toward a Higher Standard of Performance"

Office of English Language Acquisition Services (OELAS) Conference & 2010 ELL Teacher of the Year Award Banquet

December 8-10, 2010

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Description

Welcome to the Office of English Language Acquisition Services (OELAS) 2010 conference –

'Toward a Higher Standard of Performance.'

The conference will begin at 8:00AM on Wednesday, December 8 and conclude after lunch on Friday, December 10, 2010. On-site registration will be offered on Tuesday evening from 5:00PM-6:30PM and on Wednesday starting at 7:00AM. Information Desks will be available throughout the conference.

As 'Toward a Higher Standard of Performance' indicates, we will seek to clarify and integrate the knowledge and methodologies which will enable comprehension and propel implementation of this important goal both in the classroom and in a leadership capacity.

The conference will continue to focus on the acquisition of the skills and information needed to successfully implement the Structured English Immersion (SEI) models. Additionally, sessions will examine, hone and synthesize the many tools now available as well as offer guidance to insure that these tools are effectively integrated and utilized at an even more adept and advanced level. Methodologies for the beginner as well as in-depth methodologies for the advanced practitioner will be available, all

while maintaining the focus of moving forward toward a higher standard of performance.

Look for sessions dealing with academic and conversational language, advanced verb tense study, ILLP and FEP student support, oral language, revised English language standards updates, leadership topics and unique perspectives from throughout our community and state.

On **Wednesday, December 8**, our **ELL 101** strand will offer an OELAS introduction and perspective on Training, Data and Assessment, Monitoring and Fiscal need-to-know information for those teachers new to Arizona or new to ELL education

The presentation and banquet to honor the Arizona "**ELL Teacher of the Year**" for the 2010 school year will also take place on Wednesday evening. This marks the sixth annual award and celebration of the Arizona "ELL Teacher of the Year." This honor has been developed to both recognize a single award winner and celebrate all of Arizona's ELL teachers. A portion of your registration fee will support this event.

Our agenda for **Thursday**, **December 9** is non-stop and includes a full-day of sessions with powerful speakers. **Kevin Clark** is back and will discuss Advanced Verb Tense Study and Conversational English Teaching. **Exhibitors** will open their booths with materials in the areas of phonology, morphology, syntax, lexicon, and semantics for English language learner instruction.

Friday, December 10 will feature **Success Stories,** highlighting Arizona's star performers, our students. This session will inspire and inform as well as applaud achievement. Friday's events will end at 1:30PM.

Location: Wigwam Resort

300 East Wigwam Boulevard Litchfield Park, Arizona 85340 http://www.wigwamresort.com/

Reservations: 623.935.3811 or toll-free at 1.800.325.7832 Guest rooms are available at \$103.00 per night based on availability. Be sure to make your reservations prior to November 8, 2010 to secure this rate. Mention the OELAS "Toward a Higher Standard of Performance" conference when making your reservations.

Conference Timeline

- Tuesday, December 7, 5:00PM-6:30PM -- Registration
- Wednesday, December 8, 7:00AM-8:00AM -- Registration

- Wednesday, December 8, 8:00AM-4:30PM -- Sessions
- Wednesday, December 8, 6:30PM-8:00PM -- ELL Teacher of the Year Banquet
- Thursday, December 9, 8:30AM-4:30PM -- Sessions
- Friday, December 10, 8:00AM-1:30PM -- Sessions/Success Stories

Registration

- Registration will be processed exclusively online and will open on September 15 and close on November 24, 2010.
- Please note that you are not considered registered for the conference unless you receive an online confirmation number.
 A purchase order serves as backup for billing but does not register you for the conference.
- Please input your name and organization under "Information About You" exactly as you want them to appear on your conference badge. Be sure to list your district name and address under "Payment Information."
- Online registration will close on November 24, 2010. After November 24, registration will be accepted only at the conference location on a first-come, first-serve basis. If you have not already registered online, you must bring a purchase order or check with you.
- Once registered online, you are responsible for all conference fees
 even if you fail to attend the conference unless you cancel in writing
 on or before the November 24, 2010 deadline.

Attendees – Register Here Exhibitors – Register Here

Conference Fees

Fees are \$395 per person and cover materials, continental breakfast, lunch and the ELL Teacher of the Year banquet. Part of your registration fee will support the Teacher of the Year Honors Banquet. If registering **only** for the Teacher of the Year Banquet, your registration fee is \$50.00.

Payment Information

- Registrations will not be accepted without a Requisition, Purchase Order or Check Number.
- Check Payments or Purchase Orders should be made out and mailed to: ADE; Office of English Language Acquisition Services; Bin 31; 1535 W. Jefferson, Phoenix, AZ 85007 or faxed Attn: Office of English Language Acquisition Services (OELAS) @ 602-542-3050.
- Please enter the District or entity name and address under "Payment" Information. (not your personal/school location--unless they are the same).

Cancellations

- All requests must be made in writing and received by email, no later than November 24, 2010.
- Emails will receive a return confirmation verifying the change or cancellation. This is your proof of cancellation.
- Cancellations are subject to a \$25 cancellation fee.
- If you do not cancel prior to the deadline, you are responsible for all conference fees even if you fail to attend the conference.

Name Changes

Sending changes prior to the conference will greatly facilitate paperwork and badge changes for attendees. You may fax changes Attn: Office of English Language Acquisition Services at 602-542-3050 or email to pat.scott@azed.gov. All name changes must be received before November 24; otherwise, bring them with you to the Conference Registration Desk.

Confirmations

- Your confirmation number is your proof of registration; please bring it with you to the conference.
- Please do not press the 'submit/registration' button more than once.
- Any duplicate registrations will automatically be deleted from the system.

The daily conference session schedule will be posted on this website in October